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ENTERPRISE LINKAGES PROJECT – QUARTERLY UPDATE

Background

On November 16, 2010, your Board approved a recommendation from the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to execute a sole-source agreement with SAS Institute, Inc. (SAS) for the Enterprise Linkages Project (ELP), commencing with the expansion of the Adult Linkages Project Solution. The ELP data warehouse will allow the data sharing of services utilization for the participating departments, in an effort to provide cost effective service delivery to the residents of the County of Los Angeles.

Implementation Progress

During this quarter, the highlights of the ELP implementation efforts have been as follows: 1) a review of the user access security levels was approved and completed; 2) the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the ELP application was finalized. The URL will display the names of the County, the participating department, and the program; 3) SAS is in the process of developing the data warehouse and preparing it for quality testing; 4) two departments completed their data transfer, and the remaining departments are in the process of completing this step; 5) DPSS began to schedule training for the recruitment of General Relief (GR) participants; 6) the license renewal for the SAS software was processed in preparation for year two of the project; and 7) DPSS staff enrolled in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) certification course, that is required to access health information.

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Current Expenditures

During the fourth quarter of 2011, \$262,081 was incurred for the SAS software license renewal for year two of the contract. To date, we have expended 82 percent of year one funds (\$520,646 of \$637,086) and year two funds (\$262,081 of \$319,605) combined.

Project Plan Update

During the next quarter, DPSS staff will complete the required HIPAA training in preparation for access to health information. Additionally, staff will begin recruiting GR participants by counseling them on the benefits of participating in ELP and completing the authorization form. CEO will continue to work with and train the remaining departments to install DataFlux and begin the process of data transfer.

The target date for the implementation of ELP is the second quarter of 2012, due to delays in the transfer of departmental data.

If you have any questions, please contact Trish Ploehn at (213) 974-4532 or via e-mail at tploehn@ceo.lacounty.gov.

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